and

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The following listing of claims replaces all prior versions of claims in the application.

(Original): A nonaqueous electrolyte secondary battery comprising:
 a negative electrode constituted of a carbonaceous material permitting reversible insertion and desorption of lithium;

a positive electrode permitting reversible insertion and desorption of lithium;

a separator separating the positive electrode and negative electrode from each other;

a nonaqueous electrolyte composed of an organic solvent with a solute of lithium salt dissolved therein;

said nonaqueous electrolyte containing vinylene carbonate and di(2-propynyl) oxalate, and said vinylene carbonate being added in an amount of 0.1 to 3.0% by mass, and said di(2-propynyl) oxalate in an amount of 0.1 to 2.0% by mass, relative to the mass of said nonaqueous electrolyte.

2. (Original): The nonaqueous electrolyte secondary battery according to claim 1, wherein the packing density of said negative electrode active material is 1.3 g/ml or higher.

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- 3. (Original): The nonaqueous electrolyte secondary battery according to claim 1, wherein said nonaqueous electrolyte is composed of a mixed solvent of ethylene carbonate and noncyclic carbonate.
- 4. (Original): The nonaqueous electrolyte secondary battery according to claim 3, wherein the proportion of said ethylene carbonate is 20 to 40% by volume of the mixed solvent.
- 5. (Original): The nonaqueous electrolyte secondary battery according to claim 3, wherein said noncyclic carbonate is composed of at least one item selected from ethyl methyl carbonate, diethyl carbonate and dimethyl carbonate.
- 6. (Original): The nonaqueous electrolyte secondary battery according to claim 5, wherein the proportion of said diethyl carbonate is 0 to 30% by volume of the mixed solvent.
- 7. (Currently Amended): The nonaqueous electrolyte secondary battery according to any one of claims 1 to 6 claim 1, wherein said nonaqueous electrolyte secondary battery is deployed inside a metallic case whose thickness is 0.15 to 0.50 mm.